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Center School Tour Reveals Inadequacies

by Leta Mach

A tour of Greenbelt Center Elementary School is a curious mixture of what was, what is, what might be and how the building might be improved. The school has been listed in the Board of Education's Capital Improvements Program (CIP) report as number one priority for replacement in 1989-90.

Guiding the reporter through the school, Principal John Van Schoonhoven pointed out both good and bad features. Basically, he explained, "It's just not adequate for education today."

In many ways, says Van Schoonhoven, the school is a good building, "but it makes you work too hard at making things work." He listed the major problems as room size, number of levels, and age leading to high maintenance costs. He also mentioned the inadequate playground, which would be improved under the CIP proposal.

Van Schoonhoven began the tour in the office complex. Here a little known fact was revealed—the front of the school has already been modified. An addition to the left of the office complex has been made for the principal's and vice-principal's offices. The rectangular addition fits into the front corner of the building (nearest the Greenbelt library) and changes the character of the main entrance which once stood out from the building.

Even with this addition, the office area is crowded. On one wall just inside the entryway, the intercom has been placed. It is separated from the secretaries by a row of chest-high file cabinets. Because of these cabinets, the secretaries sometimes miss intercom calls when they are seated at their desks. However, the wiring makes it difficult to move the intercom, and load-bearing walls make it impossible to extend the office.

In Van Schoonhoven's ideal school, the existing front of the building would be used as a front. The entry and the main office would provide an introduction to the school for visitors. At Center, visitors often come in the side, where the small parking lot (another problem) is located. Van Schoonhoven regrets that many people miss the Center School friezes because of this. "I feel strongly about the friezes . . . they're part of the heritage," he adds. While feeling that the friezes should be retained in some fashion, he does not think the school population should have to suffer from the school's "drawbacks."

One drawback is obvious when a visitor enters the cramped office complex. The visitor faces the row of file cabinets instead of the secretaries, who are seated at desks perpendicular to and behind the files. It is not possible to arrange a true reception area in the office space.

Outside the office complex, a door to the right of the main entrance leads to a small room

used for telephone and television wires. Using an antenna on the roof, closed circuit broadcasts can be made throughout the school. The room also holds coke machines and reveals a window bricked over when the office addition was built.

Going outside the main entrance and turning left, one walks past the famous friezes. At the other end of the building, intruding upon the friezes, is the only ramp for handicapped access to the school. The ramp had to be placed here where it leads into an obscure corner of the gym because all other entrances have steps either outside the building or immediately inside. In a later interview, Johannes Hoffman of the School Board Plant Maintenance Office explains that the school should have more handicapped facilities, such as an elevator and bathrooms equipped for the handicapped.

A public hearing on the Prince Georges County Board of Education's Capital Improvements Program will be held on Monday, August 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the Board's Meeting Room in Upper Marlboro. Those who wish to testify must register in advance by calling 952-4324.

Electrical and Plumbing Problems

Hoffman strongly suspects that there would be problems with the school's electrical and plumbing systems after 46 years of existence. Evidence of one problem is found inside the gym near the handicapped entrance. A warped floor under the window testifies to water leakage from broken steam lines of the heating system. The gym has a new dropped ceiling installed because tiles regularly fell off the old ceiling. Even so, a tile is missing from the new ceiling.

The panel boxes for the school are located beside the stage. Van Schoonhoven demonstrates an antique electrical system by throwing a huge switch. A bright green spark flares in an adjacent panel box — part of the process of turning on the gym lights. Van Schoonhoven explains that he requires that the panel boxes be kept locked because he feels it is safer. The panel box is filled with fuses. Fuses, although standard 40 years ago, are a code violation. Today's code requires circuit breakers. These fuses also are frequently blown.

In a later interview, Board of Education Director of Plant Maintenance Archie Floyd explains that when a building is worked on, everything must be brought up to the present code. Hoffman mentions two other code violations, the absence of emergency lighting and a generator to provide it.

Behind the gym, at the far end of the building, is an odd classroom (106) Van Schoonhoven is not sure how it was originally used (Editor's note: It was used for many years for a cooperative

kindergarten) The room is slightly larger than the other classrooms and contains windows overlooking a walkway cut into the side of the earth. Van Schoonhoven suggests that the cement ditch (which it resembles) was created to provide light for the room underneath. The windows run almost the entire length of the room and are four high. Van Schoonhoven explains that school personnel only open the bottom windows because the other ones are too high and are jammed shut. Looking at them, one wonders what kind of tool was once used to open the top windows. Van Schoonhoven mentions that windows throughout the school don't close well and especially on the east side of the building.

See TOUR, p. 3, col. 1

Woman Stabbed in Local Store; Assailant Shot

by Mavis Fletcher

A man stabbed a woman more than 30 times last Saturday night in the midst of the crowds in Marshalls' department store in Beltway Plaza. An off-duty Greenbelt police officer stopped the assault on the woman by shooting the assailant. According to William T. Lane, Chief of the Greenbelt police department, Officer Craig Rich responded to calls for help from patrons and employees in the store. Lane said witnesses have confirmed that Rich called several times for the man to stop stabbing the woman. When the man continued stabbing her, Rich shot him once in the back.

Shawn Lamont Brown of Landover has been charged with assault with intent to commit murder and is being held under \$25,000 bond. His condition is described by the Prince Georges General Hospital as critical. The victim, identified as Doris Ann Robinson of Upper Marlboro, is in serious condition in the same hospital.

Robinson was transported to the hospital by helicopter by the Maryland State Police Shock Trauma Unit. The Greenbelt police department, in charge of the crime scene, also received support from the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad and several off-duty D.C. and Prince Georges County police officers who helped in crowd control. Greenbelt police units from the next shift were also called in.

At the time of the assault, Rich was working as a security guard at the store. As permitted by Greenbelt city policy, he was wearing his police uniform. He was placed on administrative leave pending completion of the investigation. Chief Lane stated that this is normal procedure in a case involving the discharge of a weapon by a police officer.

Although the assailant and the victim apparently knew each other, the motive for the stabbing is still under investigation. Any additional witnesses or persons who know anything about the relationship between them are requested to contact Det./Sgt. Ernest W. Brumley of the Greenbelt police department at 474-7200.

Eight Candidates for City Council Line Up as Filing Deadline Passes

Councilman Edward Putens, Mayor pro tem Richard Pilski, Francis White, and Herbert Jones became the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth candidates to file for the September 20 city council election. They join Mayor Gil Weidenfeld, Councilman Thomas X. White, Antoinette M. (Toni) Bram, and Councilman Robert (Bob) Zugby in vying for the five council slots. No further nominations were accepted after the August 8 deadline.

These eight candidates will be listed on the ballot in the following order: Jones, Zugby, Pilski, Weidenfeld, Francis White, Bram, Putens, and Thomas X. White.

Putens Biography

Edward Putens has lived in Greenbelt for the past 15 years and is presently serving his first term in office as a member of the Greenbelt City Council.

Putens has been employed by the Federal Government for the past 10 years, serving in various staff capacities in the fields of personnel and labor relations for the U.S. Postal Service, Office of Personnel Management, and currently as the Chief, Branch of Position Classification and Management for the Mine Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor. He has received numerous commendations and special achievement awards for excellence and has been nominated to several U.S. Senate Commissions. He is also president of his own company representing both federal and private sectors employees in grievances and appeals.

Putens is also active in a variety of community affairs. He is a member of the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club, the Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center, a trustee and Chairman of the Greenbelt Arts Trust Corporation, the Greenbelt Jaycees, and Citizens for Greenbelt. He is also a member of the Board of Directors for the Windsor Green Homeowners Association and is now serving his sixth consecutive term. Prior to his election to Council, Putens served as a member and Chairman of the Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB) which was instrumental in the establishment of the Greenbelt Crime Prevention Committee. He currently serves as Council liaison to the Crime Committee.

At the county, state, and national levels, Putens is a member of the Prince Georges Municipal Association and the Maryland Municipal League. He currently serves on two Council of Governments (COG) committees—the Human Resources Policy Committee and the Public Safety Policy Committee. He also serves on the Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations Policy Committee for the National League of Cities (NLC).

Putens is a graduate of the University of Maryland where he earned a degree in Microbiology. While attending school at night, he was employed in various research capacities for numerous medical and research development companies. He co-authored several patents dealing with minimizing air pollutants.

Putens, with his wife, Becky, and their three children, Kim 14, Ryan 4, and Amy 2, reside at 8225 Canning Terrace.

Pilski Biography

A native of Kingston, Pennsylvania, Richard Pilski and his wife, Claire, a registered nurse, have been Greenbelt residents for 24 years. They have a son, Richard, Jr., and 2 daughters, Nancy and Chris.

Dick is currently employed by the Maryland Department of Transportation, as an Administrative Aide to the Secretary, and on Special Assignment dealing with Commuter Rail. He was also employed as a Tax Representative with Prentice Hall for 24 years.

He attended King's College, Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania, and holds a B.S. in Business Administration from Syracuse University. He served three years in the Navy in World War II. Pilski has served on the faculty of Prince Georges Community College. See CANDIDATES, p. 5, col. 1



NOTICE OF ELECTION

A

REGULAR COUNCIL ELECTION

will be held in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland on

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1983
7 A.M. TO 8 P.M.**

at the following places:

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| PRECINCT 3 | Greenbelt Municipal Building
25 Crescent Road |
| PRECINCT 6 | St. Hugh's School - Gym
135 Crescent Road |
| PRECINCT 8 | Springhill Lake Community Center
6220 Springhill Drive |
| PRECINCT 13 | Greenbriar Community Center
7600 Hanover Parkway |

At this election, voters of the City of Greenbelt will ELECT FIVE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL to serve for a term of two years.

All Greenbelt citizens are reminded that, IN ORDER TO VOTE ON SEPTEMBER 20 THEY MUST BE REGISTERED WITH THE CITY OF GREENBELT. THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER WILL BE AUGUST 22, 1983.

Gundrun H. Mills, CMC
City Clerk

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The Past and the Future

Two sets of values that might otherwise have come into conflict over future plans of the Board of Education for rebuilding Greenbelt Center School seem already to have been reconciled by a courteous exchange of letters between the Mayor of Greenbelt and the Superintendent of Schools. At issue on the one side are the architectural and historical values of the building itself, which has been hailed as one of the ten best examples remaining in the United States of the art deco style. On the other side are the obvious inadequacies of an aging building to meet the needs of the educational program for the students who use it. Maintenance of the outmoded plumbing and electrical systems has become difficult and expensive, and classrooms in the original section of the building are far too small.

We support the school board's commitment to keeping an elementary school facility in central Greenbelt — a decision based on the community's continuing stability and its projected future population of young children. We salute the school system staff for proposing the upgrading of the school. The funds for this purpose should be left intact in the capital improvement program budget. At the same time, demolition of this beautiful building would be regrettable. It is too important architecturally to Greenbelt's designation as a historical district and too important in the town's history. As Superintendent Feeney noted in his letter to the city, "Surely there are ways to accommodate both considerations."

Exactly how the school board should proceed on the issue is a question that must for now be left open. Time is needed so that people of good will, concerned with both sets of values, can find a resolution. If we are creative enough in planning for the future of Center School, both these important values can somehow be satisfied.

Flea Market, Bake Sale

Greenbelters with books, toys, clothes and household items they would like to sell are urged to join like-minded neighbors in the city's shaded Center on Saturday, August 13, for the Cultural Arts Center Flea Market.

Table space can be reserved by calling Ann Pisano, 474-7841.

New Student Registration

The Prince Georges County Public Schools will sponsor a special registration day for all new students from kindergarten through twelfth grade on Tuesday, August 16, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at each of the system's 175 schools. Registration at that time will enable new students to be in class the first day of school, August 29, rather than in the office completing forms. Guidance counselors will be available at all middle and high schools to assist new students in planning their schedules.

Students registering in the school system for the first time should bring their birth certificates, proof of residency in Prince Georges County, their immunization records, and, if applicable, their last report card. For more information, contact the Office of Pupil Accounting and School Boundaries at 952-4390.

Parents Without Partners

The NOMAD chapter of Parents Without Partners will hold orientations on Saturday, August 13 and Tuesday, August 16 at 8 p.m. at the Greenbelt American Legion. A dance will follow. For information call Rosemary at 577-5505 or Dick at 474-8877.

Police Blotter

Compiled by Mavis Fletcher

A man was assaulted with a club as he walked to his residence on Mandan Rd. in the early morning hours of August 5. A lookout was issued but the assailant was not found.

A breaking and entering occurred in the 9100 block of Springhill Lane on the evening of August 3. Currency was reported stolen. An attempt was also made to enter a home in the 45 Court of Ridge Rd. later the same night.

Pfc. Gregory E. Lynn recovered two motorcycles which had been reported stolen. Cpl. John A. Lann recovered a motorcycle stolen from the 2 Court of Northway.

A 1977 red Ford pickup truck was stolen from the 400 block of Ridge Rd. on August 8.

Thefts from automobiles occurred in Lakeside North on August 3; on Greenbelt Rd. west of Mandan Rd., in the 36 Court of Ridge Rd. and on Cherrywood Lane at Springhill Drive on August 4. Over the weekend, stereo equipment was reported stolen from an auto in the 13 Court of Hillside.

Cpl. John A. Lynn arrested a non-resident man for shoplifting at the A&P on August 5. Officer Craig Rich arrested a female non-resident for shoplifting at Show-Off on August 4.

Additional cases of malicious destruction to autos occurred this week: in the 6000 block of Springhill Dr., at the rear of Beltway Plaza, in the 9100 block of Springhill Court, in the 6100 block of Breezewood Dr. and on Lakeside Drive. On August 5 two additional cases were reported in Beltway Plaza and in the 7700 block of Hanover Pkwy. Windows were broken or paint scratched in these cases.

Ms. Kathy Tingle has joined the Greenbelt Police Department as a dispatcher. Tingle lives in Greenbelt and has had experience as a dispatcher with the Berlin, Md. police department.

LaLeche League

La Leche League of Greenbelt will meet on Monday, August 15 at 8 p.m. at 42-K Ridge Road. The topic of the meeting will be "Overcoming Difficulties and Getting Started." All who are interested in breastfeeding are invited.

For further information call 345-2670.

Community Church News

Harry Taylor, co-pastor of Greenbelt Community Church, will be giving a farewell missions concert for his friends in the church and the community on Sunday, August 14 at 8 p.m. at Community Church. The concert will be for older children and adults and a free will offering for missions will be received.

Mowatt Memorial

United Methodist Church
 40 Ridge Rd. 474-9410
 Sunday School 9:30 A.M.
 (for all ages)
 Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
 Rev. Dr. James Chong Park
 Pastor
 474-1924

Crossed Wires

The News Review's office phone wire was somehow "crossed" early this week with the phone of an unfortunate resident. Phone company employees not on strike have promised to unkink the wires as soon as possible. We regret any inconveniences that may have resulted.

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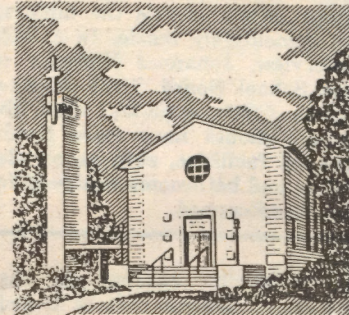
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Edward H. Birner, Pastor

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VOTER REGISTRATION CARDS (YELLOW FORM) HAVE BEEN MAILED TO A NUMBER OF GREENBELT CITIZENS UPON THEIR REQUEST. HOWEVER, MANY OF THESE FORMS HAVE NOT AS YET BEEN RETURNED TO THE CITY OFFICE AND, UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE REGISTRATION CARDS ARE RECEIVED BY THE CITY CLERK, APPLICANTS ARE NOT REGISTERED AND, THEREFORE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO VOTE IN THE SEPTEMBER 20, 1983 REGULAR COUNCIL ELECTION.

VOTER REGISTRATION BOOKS WILL CLOSE AUGUST 22 and REGISTRATION CARDS RECEIVED AFTER THAT DATE WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF ELIGIBLE VOTERS. If in doubt as to eligibility, please call 474-3870 or 474-8000.

GUDRUN H. MILLS, CMC
 CITY CLERK

low water to seep in.

The ceiling here has been dropped. On the window side it was necessary to angle the ceiling up to the windows. A brown spot on the ceiling illustrates a recurrent problem — a leaky roof.

Exposed water pipes along the wall lead to a sink. All rooms except the music room in the original building have these sinks. The exposed plumbing is a clue to the fact that the sink is not original. All non-original plumbing has to be done outside the walls.

The health room is located to the right of the office complex. Between the health room and the reception area, two bathrooms and a vault are tucked in. When opened, their doors almost hit the secretary's chair. The health room also holds the office machines which the secretaries use — not an ideal situation because of possible vandalism. But this is the only spot for the machines.

While not perfect, Van Schoonhoven admits that "we can live with it." Indeed, the office complex has something most of the school doesn't — air conditioning.

Classrooms

The old wing has 17 classrooms. Two of the rooms used for special programs have been partitioned from one former room. Most of these rooms are about 600 square feet. Educationally, the school system prefers classrooms of at least 1,000 square feet. Teachers have tried a variety of arrangements — rows, groups, single — to fit in student desks but all classrooms have the same cramped feeling.

The rectangular classrooms are laid out so that the longer side is parallel to the hallway. For this reason, it is difficult to make one classroom out of two because the resultant room would be so long. The warm glow of oak is present everywhere — on the door frames, doors, cabinets, and coat rack doors. The coat rack doors are a matter of concern to Van Schoonhoven, who although fascinated by their unusual bi-fold opening mechanism, worries about pinched fingers. Although warm and sturdy, the wood is a fire code violation. New schools use metal.

The old radiators under the windows have been fitted with a non-adjustable knob. The heating regulating knob has been replaced by a centrally controlled thermostat. A grill at one end serves as a heat return unit. For some reason, one unit, in the last classroom on the top floor, has a switch on this return. The original slate blackboards, refinished a few years ago, are small but in good condition. Cork bulletin boards also appear original and are generally in good condition.

Decorative and functional glass bricks are present in all the classrooms high on the inside wall. The bricks let light from the classroom (and its windows) out into the hallways.

A cream-colored glazed brick covers the walls in the hallways. Van Schoonhoven admires this brick because it is hard to mark up and easy to clean. The lighting in the hallways was installed about four years ago.

Hoffman suspects that the corridor rating is not in compliance with the code. The number of exits and length and width of the hallways needs to be checked. He also feels that the stairway doors and the width of the stairway may be problems. Other violations are the lack of fire escape windows, sprinklers, and smoke detectors. The ceiling tile in the hallways and the boiler room is also combustible.

TOUR Cont. Next Week

Special Voter Registration At City Offices Saturday

On Saturday, August 13, voter registration will be held at the city offices from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Citizens wishing to vote in the Greenbelt city council election on September 20 also may register at the city offices during regular office hours, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Also the city clerk has arranged for on-site registration from now until the books close on August 22 at three additional places: Greenbelt Homes office on Hamilton Pl., Greenbriar and Springhill Lake Community Buildings. (See city ad for more information.)

Co-op Members Offered 5% Discount on August 16

Tuesday, August 16, is Member Appreciation Day at the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket, 121 Centerway in the Greenbelt Center. All Co-op members will receive a 5% discount on all purchases on August 16.

The membership is \$1.00. A membership may be taken out at the Co-op store, at SCAN in the Greenway Shopping Center, the Co-op Gas Station on Southway or at any Co-op facility.

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ENERGY MANAGEMENT WORKSHOPS

Due to lack of interest, the Energy Management Workshop for August has been cancelled. A workshop will be scheduled in September. Look for future announcements in this paper. Anyone who would like a particular workshop, please call 474-6644.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Council Work Session Tuesday, August 16, 1983 - 8 p.m.

City Council will Conduct a Public Work Session With Metro and County Officials on the Greenbelt Metro Station, Commuter Rail Station, and Access Roads to these Stations. THE PUBLIC IS INVITED. The meeting will be held in the Council Room, 25 Crescent Road Gudrun H. Mills, CMC City Clerk



OFFICIAL NOTICE VOTER REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION MAY BE MADE IN PERSON AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

City Offices, 25 Crescent Road
Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 — 10 A.M. - 4 P.M.

Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Hamilton Place
Mon. - Fri. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Greenbriar Community Building, Hanover Parkway
Sat. & Sun. 12 noon to 5 p.m.
Mon. - Fri., 12 - 7:00 p.m.

Springhill Lake Community Building, 6220 Springhill Drive
Mon. - Thurs., 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Fri., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Sat., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

VOTER REGISTRATION ENDS AUGUST 22.

IMPORTANT: Please note that registration with Prince George's County, which entitles citizens to vote in National, State, and/or County elections, is separate from voter registration with the City of Greenbelt and does not give entitlement to vote in City of Greenbelt elections.

For questions, please call 474-3870 or 474-8000.

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Concerned Citizens Complain to City Council about Increasing Pet Problem

by Mary Lou Williamson

Stray dogs and dogs not under the control of their owners worry Joe Remenick, Steve Polaschik, Eunice Coxon, Joe Costa and Florence Holly. These five were part of a larger group of residents who visited the Greenbelt City Council at its budget work session several months ago. They asked for immediate help. Other municipalities have tightened up both regulations and enforcement in recent years, the group told council. They demanded that Greenbelt do the same. "The problem has tripled since I came here in '66," said Coxon. "I've had to give up my walks in the North End."

"Is the animal warden a passive or active system?" asked Costa, rhetorically.

"We need better patrolling," Polaschik answered.

City manager James K. Giese explained for the group the budget items pertaining to animal control. The city will purchase a van/truck designed for use by the animal warden, whose current "hand-me-down" vehicle, Giese acknowledged, is near collapse. New also for this year is the position of a second part-time warden which the City is seeking to fill. Funds for patrolling are increased over what was spent last year (for 312 hours of patrolling), though only slightly above what was budgeted for last year. (The city was without a warden two times during the year.)

Council could approve spending a lot more on patrolling, Giese said at the meeting, but the taxpayer, he believes, would obtain

a poor rate of return for dollars spent. Council apparently agreed for no new funds were added to the budget.

Rabies Threat

Giese's greatest concern is the potential threat of rabies. While no cases have occurred in or close to Greenbelt, the disease is spreading eastward into Prince Georges County. He views the increased danger to family pets as very significant. As people become concerned about rabies, he suggests, they will be more willing to keep their pets under much closer control. Dogs are subject to rabies and can in turn transmit the disease to humans. The city has been sending an Open Letter to citizens offering guidance in avoiding the rabies threat.

Pet owners have "scoffed at the law for years," Giese admitted. "They don't see much reason to keep pets under control." The threat of seeing the family pet suffering from rabies and the potential danger to the human members of the family, he hopes, should begin to change those attitudes.

Giese acknowledged an increased level of complaints. He noted that some efforts have been made in experimenting with tougher enforcement in neighborhoods where complaints are higher, such as the North End. Whenever we get a complaint and we know who the owner is, Giese continued, we write a letter. The county, he said, had tried to solve the problems by establishing a commission of citizens to deal with them. He held out little hope of help from the court system. One problem, he pointed out, is that the law does not prohibit a dog from being off the leash; rather dogs must be under effective control.

Remenick commented that the

lake area seemed to be a particular problem.

Polaschik wondered whether the current fines imposed on an owner who wishes to retrieve a dog picked up by the animal warden were steep enough or too cheap. Councilman Richard Pilski suggested the charge be the equivalent of a first-class dog motel. Would raising the license fee help defray any additional costs? Polaschik inquired.

Councilman Thomas X. White asked Giese whether this would be a good opportunity to use the municipal infractions authority the city has, but hasn't used. Under this system a citation could be issued by the animal warden or police cadet, rather than just by a police officer. The process is similar to that used for a parking ticket and would not constitute a criminal offense. Giese cautioned that it is still difficult to collect the fine from the habitual offenders. The court system does not want to be clogged with such cases and so they are frequently thrown out.

Expressing a reluctance to penalize all pet owners, Mayor Gil Weidenfeld indicated he would prefer a system that would "put pressure on the owner whose dog is a constant problem." Perhaps a much stiffer fine for third offense would help.

Referral to CRAB

In order to determine "how we can most effectively and efficiently deal with the problems," Weidenfeld suggested the council refer the dog problem "to CRAB (Community Relations Advisory Board), get input from citizens and contact other municipalities to see what they have done."

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GHI NOTES

Members are reminded that the Energy Management Workshop for next week has been cancelled. The next workshop will be held in the fall.

The Member and Community Relations Committee will meet on Tuesday, August 16 at 8 p.m. in the Board Room. The committee is making plans for GHI's booth at the Labor Day Festival. All GHI members are welcome to attend and help plan this event.

GHI's booth at the Labor Day Festival will feature the popular "Buried Treasure Game" of past years. To make this booth a success, volunteers are needed to work at the booth and donate prizes. Please call Member and Community Relations Chairperson Betty Deitch (474-3152) or

Sr. Co-ed Softball

The newly formed 55 and older co-ed softball team has grown to 16 members. More women members are still needed to show up to balance out the team. The team meets each Monday at 9 a.m. at Braden Field. Anyone interested in flexing her muscles is invited to come out and join the fun.

Rock at the Utopia Theater

Smoke Hatch, a local acid rock group, will put on a concert Saturday, August 13, at the Greenbelt Cultural Art Center's Utopia Theater. The group will perform songs from Judas Priest, Iron Maiden and Scorpions, among others. Also appearing will be the group Hat Trick.

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lege where he has taught Federal Income Tax, Marketing, Advertising, and Salesman Courses.

From his very beginning as President of the Lakewood Association, he has served 20 years (10 consecutive terms) on city council, including Mayor for four terms; Mayor pro tem for three terms; and Councilman for three terms, which is the longest length of service in Greenbelt history.

He was the first municipal official to be appointed to the County Tax Differential Committee to establish rules for rebates to municipalities for duplicate services.

Pilski was President of the Senior Citizens Housing that established the Ridge Road Center. He has served on the Executive Committee of the Maryland Municipal League, and the Maryland State Transportation Committee.

With the Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments (COG), he was on the Board of Directors eight years, and served on the Energy Policy Committee, Transportation Planning Board, Public Safety Committee, Environmental Committee, and the Executive Committee for Cities less than 100,000.

On the national level he served as a Vice Chairman of the Bicentennial Committee, and the National League of Cities Transportation, Communication Committee for 10 years.

Pilski served on the Board of Directors of Greenbelt Credit Union, and as a member of St. Hugh's he served on the Building Committee and the School Board. He was a manager of a Little League Minor League Team; is a Counselor on Citizenship for Prince Georges County Boy Scouts; Chairman for "Ride-a-Bike" for the Retarded; and Cerebral Palsy Telethon Participant for four years.

He is an active member of the Greenbelt American Legion, V.F.W., and Knights of Columbus, Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, and Syracuse University Alumni Association.

Festival Notes

Talent Show

The Talent Show will hold try-outs on Wednesday, August 17, from 7-10 p.m. in the Youth Center. Interested performers, aged 18 and under, should call Mary Jane Semler (474-0885) for details.

Outstanding Citizen

Who will be named Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen for 1983? For the eleventh consecutive year, the Labor Day Festival Committee will be presenting an Outstanding Citizen Award in recognition of an individual's contributions to the Greenbelt community. A nominee must be a resident of Greenbelt. Current elected officials are not eligible and city employees may not be considered for services for which they receive salaries.

Official nomination forms are available at Springhill Lake Community Center, the Greenbriar pool, the Greenbelt municipal pool, Ben Franklin, the Variety Store, Safeway and Green Ridge House. A nomination form submitted in previous years may be resubmitted. Both individuals

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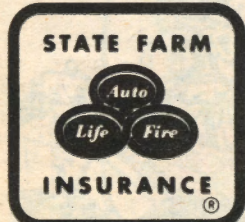
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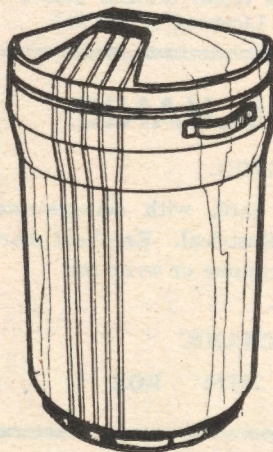
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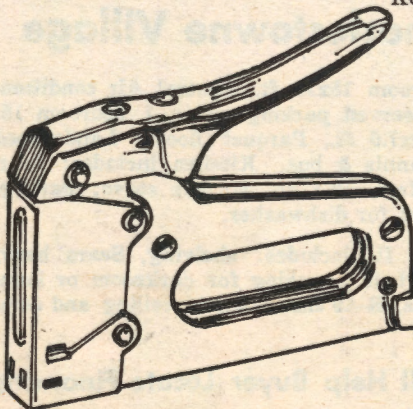


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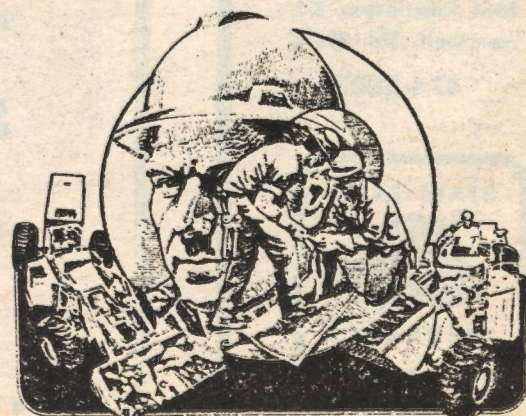


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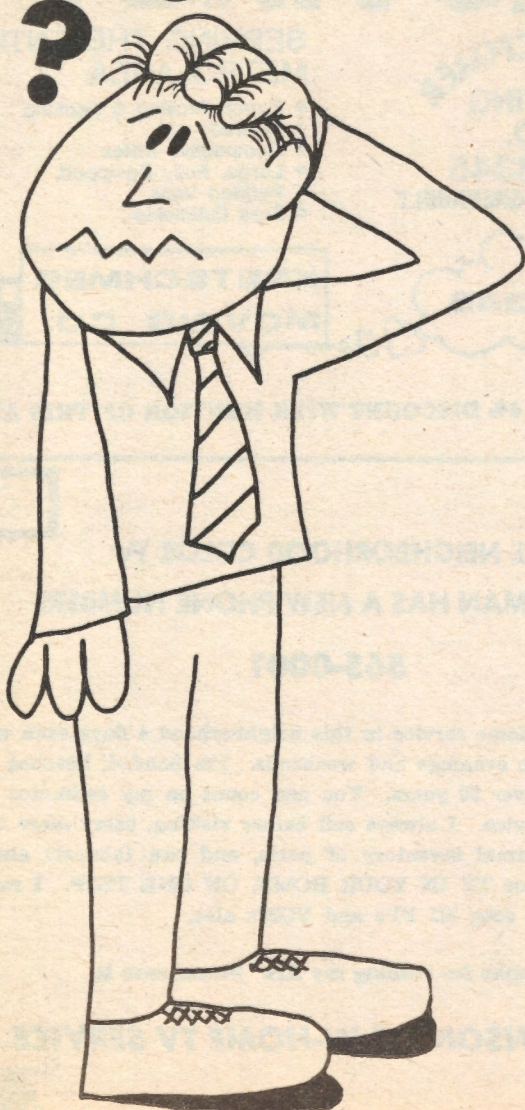
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